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RESPONSE TO QUAYLE ACTION MAILED NOVEMBER 20, 2003

Sir:

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Responsive to the Office Action mailed November 20, 2003, please amend the abovecaptioned application as set forth below. This response is provided within the shortened statutory period for reply. It is believed that no fees are necessary with this response. However, in the event of any variance between the amount enclosed and the fees determined by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, please charge or credit any such variance to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

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